

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: FLEXIBLE TRUCK BED TIE-DOWN  
SYSTEM  
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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is the nonprovisional utility patent application of:

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (22 pages).
- ☒ Formal drawings (16 sheets, Figures 1-34).
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages).
- ☒ Assignment of the invention to Nissan Design America, Inc..
- ☒ Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ Form PTO-1449 with copies of 52 listed reference(s).


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